GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS)
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated by the Government to the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) during the last three years and the current financial year;
(b) the number of beneficiaries under the said scholarship; and
(c) whether the Government has disbursed all scholarship and if so, the details thereof and if not, the details and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)
(a) The amount allocated for the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 was Rs. 95 crore, Rs. 70 crore and Rs. 131.50 crore respectively. For the current financial year 2016-17, BE is Rs. 35 crore.
(b) During the current financial year 2016-17, the estimated number of beneficiaries under NMMSS Scheme is 2,30,199.
(c) Out of 3,37,893 NMMSS scholarshipsdue for disbursement in 2015-16, only 2,10,012 scholarshipscould be sanctioned during 2015-16,thus leaving 1,27,881 scholarships pending for sanction due to non-availability of funds.
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